# NEW BOOKS AT THE LIBRARY

Provision for Winter Reading Made by the Purchasing Committee.

MEN AND EVENTS OVERSHADOW FICTION

Important Works by Well Known Writers Added to the Shelves and Nearly Ready to Be Handed Out to the Public.

Among the new books which Librarian Tobitt and her corps of assistants are busy cataloguing and putting in place on the library shelves are a great many that will be of unusual interest to the reading public. The holiday consignment of literature, ordered about a month ago, was received early in the week and will be available to readers in a few days. It includes several volumes that are the most important literary acquisitions of the year, among them beiseries of importations from the New ..... sterdam Book company. The works of fiction are fewer than those of history, blography and travel, but all the books are the latest publications and those which have already acquired popularity.

In glancing over the titles of the new volumes it is interesting to note that most of them relate to topics, men, and events, which the trend of present history and recent developments in international politics have brought into prominence. Readers who are following events in the Far East with a view to understanding the questions to which they have given rise; those who are interested in the lives of the century's greatest statesmen and in foreign lands that have only recently become of interest to Americans, as well as readers who are lovers of fiction, short stories and literary gossip, will find in the new lot innumerable entertaining books for the leisure hours of

One of the new books is Dr. Busch's "Bismarck," being a diary kept by Dr. Moritz Busch during twenty-five years' official and private intercourse with the Iron Chancellor. It is in two volumes. The history of the great diplomatic events of the forms one of these, while the other is made subjects, all of them stamped with the strong individuality of Bismarck's mind. Among the imported books there is another biography, "The Private Papers of William Wifberforce," who will be remembered be cause of his long and successful efforts for the abolition of the slave trade. "A Short History of the Royal Navy" and "Drake and the Tuder Navy" are two other valuable additions from the houses of foreign

### Some Other Foreign Works.

In a book entitled "The Wonderful Century" Alfred Russel Wallace, co-formulator with Darwin of the doctrine of the survival of the fittest and one of the greatest living writers on natural history, tells of the century's inventions and discoveries in all the sciences. F. H. S. Merewether, Reuter's special famine commissioner, has told his experiences in that capacity in a volume entitled "Through the Famine Districts of India." Another book on this subject is Edwin Arnold's "India Revisited."

An authentic history of China is a book that has never been written, but one that has attracted the attention of scholars for its accuracy and completeness is "A History of China," by Rev. J. MacGowan of the London Missionary society. The information concerning the earlier periods is taken from Confucius and Mencius, and the account of the legendary period of China's history reads like a romance. The book is concluded with the reign of the Ts'ing dynasty, and the war between China and Japan, terminating with the treaty of Forpolicy and interests in China and the Far Among the other histories are Stevens' "Egypt in 1898;" "At Aboukir and Acre," a story of Napoleon's invasion of Egypt, by G. A. Henty, and Matlas Romero's "Mexico and the United States." Two histories have been published during the last few weeks that will be of unusual interest to Americans. They are Morris 'War with Spain" and Mary H. Krout's "Hawali."

Kidd on "Control of the Tropies." A book that has attracted universal at tention in this country and has been com mented upon editorially by many of the leading newspapers is "The Control of the Tropics," by the eminent English author of 'Social Evolution," Benjamin Kidd. With. the second volume of "The Workers," received in the new lot of books, the author, Prof. Wycoff, closes his unique narrative of the experiences of a scholar in earning his living as an unskilled laborer.

Of the works of fiction the romance expected to rank above the other popular novels of the year is "Aylwin," by Watts-

Readers who liked "The Tragic Idyl" will and much to interest them in Paul Bourget's latest book, "Antigone." It is a psychological analysis and dramatic exposition of woman's character and is said to be the author's masterplece. Other recent books of fiction to be found in the new lot are: Sienkiewitz's "Sielanka," Henry James' "Two Magics" and "In the Cage; "Second Thoughts of an Idle Fellow." by "The Heart of Toil," by Octave "From One Generation to Another." by Merriman, and "The Plated Bliss Perry. There is one distinctively a VanDyke, entitled, "The Lost World."

Practical Education. Detroit Journal: When Christopher Co-lumbus was going to school, he spent much time in learning to make an egg stand on end.

end.
"That isn't practical knowledge!" protested the educators of the day. "You
should engage in manual training, or practice vertical handwriting!"
But when Columbus discovered America
through being able to make an egg stand
on end, the educators perceived they were
wrong.

For a summer cough, Or a winter cough; For a night cough, Or a slight cough, Or a cough which "hangs on,"



# ...AMUSEMENTS.

Omaha theatergoers showed by their attendance at the Creighton-Orpheum Sunday afternoon and evening that they want high class vaudeville entertainments. At last night's performance several hundred people were unable to secure standing room.

The performance was meritorious. The bill was a succession of "hits." It was so evenly balanced that each act as it was presented was as well received as its predeessor. The Newsboys' quintette, composed of Fred Nelson, James Cunningham, Leon Hudson, Frank Casson and Leo Edwards opened the bill in a melange of singing, dancing and comedy work. One of their songs, "My Honolulu Lady," created for them several encores. All the members of the quartet possers excellent voices. Leon Hudson, colored, especially has a rich, mellow baritone voice. All the boys are genuine newsboys, their ages ranging from 14 to 18 years, and most of their songs savored of everyday life of the street gamins.

These who saw Johnn C. Rice, the clever comedian, andn his vivacious little wife Sally Cohen, in their bright comedictta, "Our Honeymoon," were unanimous saying that his versatility is shown up in it better than in any piece he has been seen n here, not excepting the May Irwin comedy. The dialogue is bright and witty and tells a story of domestic infelicity. Sally Cohen possesses a rich soprano voice and shows it to the audience by singing two new and popular songs in a pleasing man-

George Evans, the honey boy, was a bi favorite with the audience. He sang several new songs that were well received, but the prominence, "I'll Be True to My Honey Boy," was the one that made the hit and was responsible for repeated recalls. Imitations of Anna Held, the French soubrette, by diminutive Charles Rossow, fairly

set the audience wild. This little body, who looks like an animated doll with his flaxen curls and dainty little dress, is superior to many celebrated imitators. His act with his brother Frank is one of the big features of the program. In this act the midgets are aided by their father, who is over six feet tall and weighs 300 pounds. It opens twenty years beginning in February, 1870, with Mr. Roscow walking upon the stage holding in each of his outstretched hands up of conversations on a large range of the two midgets attired in the costume of it is a good thing that this discovery has athletes. They look like tiny infants in of heavy lifting with nickel-plated weights, perform some athletic feats and conclude the act with a boxing bout in which they show themselves to be wonderfully scientific. Both are quickness personified. Two very clever athletic acts are those

of Zazelle and Vernon on the horizontal bar, and the acrobatic work of the Carl Damman troupe, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Damman, their son and Mrs. Damman's sister. Zazelle and Vernon do their work in comic costume. The work of the Dammans is thrilling and consists of head balancing and tumbling by the women and the juggling of the boy by Mr. Damman on his feet while lying on his back.

Mr. and Mrs. Tobin, who are billed as musical artists par excellente, are in every way deserving of that title. Their act is refined and their execution on a varied assortment of brass instruments is finished. The repertoire of music they play is of the highest grade and is here and there interspersed with the popular catchy melodies

There was no exaggeration in the promise made in advance by the management of the Trocadero when they assured their patrons that this week's bill was to be the best highclass vaudeville ever offered in Omaha. The performances of vesterday afternoon and last evening fully justified the promise, and the attendance at both evidenced the confidence reposed by Omaha amusement lovers in the management's assurances. Interest centered in the superb performance of the Akimoto troupe of Japanese. This troupe of eight accomplished artists manifested its ability to afford a complete evening's entertainment of its own execution. They give a number of startling acts, widely diversified in character, from the most novel and remarkable feats of balancing to the most difficult acrobatic achievements. A thrilling novelty in the latter line is the tumbling act of little Miss Akimoto upon the upturned fect of a Japanese woman. The climbing and balancing by Prince Akimoto and two juvenile companions kept the audience in alternate intervals of suspense and rapturous applause. There is a tone and finish about these Japanese performances not attained by others and the confidence and dash with which each daring undertaking is realized add much to the enjoyment thereof. There was a rush and clatter in the capers of the two Paolis and their intelligent dog, and a flavor to their comedy that brought unstinted applause. The spectacle of a dog playing ball, and pro-

iciently at that, was an appreciated novelty. Pearl Andrews, old in mimicry, came as ver with a collection of new and charming conceptions, which she executed in faultless voice and action. Her imitations of Yvette Guilbert, Maggie Cline and Anna Held were incomparably accurate, and that of Bandmaster Sousa was convulsing. The comic bar performance of Leonand Miller was clever and seasoned with a sense of danger. The Sisters Leon gave a serene exposition of feminine gymnastics that carried a distinct charm. The Misses Stevens O'Brien, singing and dancing soubrettes, won generous recognition, and Kenno and Wayne, in new and inimitable burlesque City," a story of New England life by and acrobatic comedy, bred a recurring storm of favor. The gifted Century quar-Christmas story. It is written by Henry tet, re-engaged for a second week, sang a number of its favorites. With one or two exceptions, every act is wholly new to Omaha fanciers of refined vaudeville and as rich in merit as in novelty. This program, with features not herein mentioned, will continue during the week, with matinees Thursday and Saturday. In this connection it is stated by the management that arrangements have just been perfected with Klaw & Erlanger of New York, whereby the Trocadero will be kept in close touch with the finest vaudeville talent in both this ountry and Europe.

To the majority of regular theatergoers the name "On the Suwanee River" suggests play old and out of date or something on the "Uncle Tom's Cabin" order, but those who were at Boyd's theater Sunday afteroon or evening were agreeably surprised at the cleanliness and attractiveness of the play which they saw by that name. It was one on the order of Jacob Litt's "In Old Kentucky" and is provided with a well baianced cast, attractive scenery and a quartet of colored singers that fit naturally in the groove where it is placed and contribute perceptibly to the piece. It is better than the ordinary quartets of this class, as was proven by the fact that at both performances yesterday it was compelled to answer a half dozen encores. Stella Mayhew, who was seen at the Creighton last summe in one of the specialty turns which the Woodward company introduced between acts. is the star of the company and her portrayal of the old negro mammy is humorous and highly entertaining. She has a May Irwin way about her which she displays in her coon songs that always finds favor with the spectators. While some of the characters are considerably overdrawn, the play as a

whole is pleasing. The piece will continue tonight, Tuesday matinee and evening. During the balance of the week the theater will be dark, Mathews and Bulger opening it again with two per-formances of "By the Sad Sea Wayes" next

Deputy Marshal Allan Finds a Genuine Indian Tramp.

SNAKE BITE ANTIDOTE OF AN OLD MINER

He Recommends Whisky in Doses Suited to Size of Snake-Snow in the Colorado Mountains-Liberality with School Teachers.

"The first Indian tramp I ever saw I found on the Winnebago reservation a few days ago," said Deputy United States Marshal James Allan. "This fellow is a Creek Indian, originally from the south and according to his story has been hitting the trail for nine years. He dresses in the garb of the regulation plains Indian and carries a blanket. When I saw him he had just arrived from St. Paul, Minn. He came in on a freight, naving ridden the bumpers and trucks the entire distance. He told me that he had crossed the continent twice and had been in every state in the union. While I don't vouch for the correctness of the statement, he insisted that his name is George Washington. That he has tramped much is apparent, as he must have fully 200 letters written by brakemen, nearly all of whom certify that he is a decent fellow and is entitled to the freedom of the bumpers, the trucks and the blind baggage. This Indian speaks English well and has a great fund of stories, which he delights in telling. Most of them refer to his own experiences while on the road. He says he seldom mixes up with other tramps, preferold one and the one that brought him into ring to travel alone. From the Winnebago agency George told me he intended to journey to Mexico, striking the coast and if possible stow away in some ship bound to Europe. He says his chief aim in life is to cross the ocean."

"I notice by reading the newspapers that some medical fellow over in France has invented a serum or something of the sort that is a sure cure for snake bite," remarked Thomas J. Block, an old Colorado miner who was a visitor at the Government building, "and now I suppose that people will go crazy over this discovery. Perhaps it is well enough that they should and perhaps been made, but up in the mountains we union suits. They do a number of feats have an antidote that is just as sure a cure as any one that this fellow can concoct. This man's antidote has to be injected within three hours after the snake stops biting or the man is dead. With my antidote you don't do any injecting, but instead you do imbibing. The antidote of which I speak is good whisky and the bigger the snake the bigger the antidote. In proof of this let me illustrate. Six years ago I was working a prospect up near Silver Plume and one day while picking around the rocks a big rattler nipped me on the hand. I hurried back to camp and drained a quart bottle and inside of half an hour was at work and did not suffer from any bad effects of the liquor or the snake bite. The next summer I was bitten by a rattlesnake not more than half as large as the one with which I came in contact the previous year and again I drained a quart bottle. While the bite did not produce any serious results, I was as drunk as a fool for three days, so that now I feel safe in saying that the bigger the snake the bigger the antidote is required. This antidote of mine is not very expensive. You can buy it most any place in a mining camp and as yet I have never heard of a case where it failed to do its work."

"Speaking of snow, you ought to make the rip up through the Colorado mountains from Pueblo to Glenwood Springs and then down through the Gunnison country," said A. C. Huntley. "I have just come in from there and the fall of snow of last week was astonishing. I was there during the storm which continued for thirty-six hours. During all of that time there was not a let-up for an hour or a minute. There was no wind and the snow came down like a great blanket, covering up to a depth of ten feet in many places. After it was over there were snowslides which brought down millions of tons of the snow from the sides of the mountains. There was no loss of life and but little loss of property. While the heavy fall of snow will work some inconventence to farmers and prospectors during the next few months it will prove to be of incalculable value to these same people next season. It will moisten the ground and make a good crop next year almost certain; it will fill all of the creek beds and ravines with water, so that there will not be the difficulty in carrying on mining operations that we always experience durng a dry season."

"There is no doubt but that it is a good plan to be liberal with the teachers in th public schools, but I can see no reason why they should be given something for nothing," said R. C. Richards yesterday. Coninuing he remarked: "It is the proper thing to give teachers full pay for holidays designated by law, but I can't see why they should be paid for other days when they are not teaching. Take the day following last Thanksgiving. None of the schools were in session, yet the pay of the teachers went right along just the same. Such a policy would not have been tolerated in the stores, factories, offices or other business houses o the city, but it went in the schools. In Omaha there are something like 350 teachers. Let us say that there are just 350. These people we will say are paid \$60 pe month, but their salaries will average mor than this. On this basis, when the Board of Education gave the teachers the Friday following Thanksgiving the members of that body gave away \$1,050 of the money that selonged to the taxpayers. The financial end of the question is not the most ob jectionable feature, however. The school year is, we will say, ten months of twenty lays each. Figure on this and you will see that the Board of Education deprived, say 15 000 pupils of one day of school-a school day that was squandered in idleness. Say ing that the school day is six hours, the aggregate of lost time reaches the enormous total of 90,000 hours of which the children have been deprived. Carrying these calculations still farther, we have some startling results. Figuring the time into hours, we see that it equals something enormous, when the interests of the pupils are considered That one day was enough to set people to thinking. The time lost to the entire public school system of the city was sufficient to educate one child for six years, or six children one year, figuring the school day and month as it now exists."

A good story is told on the officers o the Second Nebraska volunteers, who recently passed out of the service of the United States, that demonstrates the manner in which complaints or objections are handled in the army. While the regiment was engaged in beautifying the park at Camp Thomas, Ga., the men were issued Springfield rifles of an elderly vintage. Senator Allen visited the camp shortly afterward and the officers complained to him concerning the guns and asked if he could no secure the more modern Krag-Jorgense weapon. The senator very willingly promised to do all in his power if the officers would draw up and sign a petition to the department requesting the new guns. This was done, many of the officers of the regiment signing the request. This was turned over to Senator Allen, who carried it to Washington with him and handed it to the War department. Then the roast began as the petition was returned to the officers of regiment "through military channels."

Each officer who received it, as it came down the line, apparently felt it his duty to condemn the method of procedure adopted by the Nebraskans and by the time it reached the camp of the Second it contained a series of the most artistic roasts that was ever read. After its reception one had only to appear at the tent of one of the officers whose name was appended to the petition to cause him to become strangely emphatic.

### ACTION (Belle Belle W. Belle Belle) HEARD ABOUT TOWN.

Property of the Party of the Pa Martin Beck, general representative of the vaudeville theater. In speaking of the way the people besieged the box office before the raised a notch or two." Mr. Beck leaves for Chicago tonight.

Personal Paragraphs Teller of Denver is at the Her Grand. F. H. Starr of St. Louis is at the Her G. M. Lifling, a banker of Lexington, 18

Mrs. Clark and daughter of Denison are at the Her Grand. Dr. N. T. Seymour and T. D. Hughes are at the Her Grand. J. C. Rogers and Henry Simon of Chicago are at the Millard.

W. A. Shakman of New York is city, at the Millard. Postoffice Inspector D. J. Sinclair of Linoln is at the Her Grand E. T. Trimmer of Chicago, the well known shoe man, is at the Her Grand. B. H. Jackson, a banker of Beloit, Wis., is in the city for a couple of days. Mrs. K. A. Kehoe and Miss Hayes of Platte Center are at the Her Grand. Willis George Emerson of the State Press ssociation at Denver is at the Millard.

Pope Manufacturing company, is at the Her R. C. Hallett of the Detroit Paint and Varnish company, Detroit, Mich., is at the Millard.

H. E. Field of Hartford, representing the

W. H. Howlett, the boss carpet sales-man, has made the Millard his head-quarters for a few days. Ed Seifert, a traveling salesman who beasts of being able to sell more cigars han any other man on earth, is in the

Nebraskans at the hotels: John Kent, Sutherland; E. F. Winer, Nebraska City; W. L. Fox, Grand Island, M. J. Berry, Hastings; H. P. Simmons, Chadron. Dr. M. A. Rebert spent yesterday

Omaha, the guest of Dr. Nason. He arrived yesterday morbing from his home in Pennsylvania. Dr. Rebert left at midnight for Manila, where he will assume the duties of the post in the medical department of the army to which he has just been appointed. He will sail from San Francisco on December 15. John de Renville ("Pony") Moore has ac

cepted the position of press agent at the Creighton-Orpheum theater. The latter line of work is one of his specialties. Prior to coming to Omaha he held that position at the Gillis theater. Kansas City, and at the Lincoln, Havlin's, Alhambra, Galety, Savoy and Great Northern theaters, Chicago. At one time he was press agent for David Henderson, the celebrated extravaganza producer and manager.

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## FREE PUBLIC ART EXHIBIT Key's Paintings of the Exposition

Are Shown in The Bee Building Today and Tomorrow. The free public art exhibition of the ex-

position paintings by John R. Key, the celebrated artist, of which a private view was given on Saturday, will continue today and tomorrow in the rooms at the right of the court of The Bee building. The pictures shown will be supplemented by some new paintings never before exhib-

ited, making a collection well worth inspection by every one interested in art. The exhibit has already elicited the warmest praise from the many visitors who accepted invitations to the private view. The exhibition is given under the auspices of the Visiting Nurses' association and a number of the society women will be in attendance to welcome visitors. The exhibition will be open only today and tomorrow.

# From New Zealand.

REEFTON, New Zealand. I am very pleased to state that since I took the agency of Chamberlain's medicines the sale has been very large, more especially of the Cough Remedy. In two years I have sold more of this particular remedy than of all other makes for the previous five years.

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important matters to be considered at the meeting will be a communication from General Manager Dickinson of the Union Pacific Railroad company and General Manager Kenyon of the Union Stock Yards company in reply to the resolution passed at a special meeting of the council, held last Monday night. This resolution of the city lawmakers notified the railroads to proceed at once to repair the L street via-Walter Orpheum company, arrived in Omaha duct, according to law. The question of yesterday to aid in the inauguration of the where to begin and end the repair work Creighton-Orpheum theater as a high-class on the approaches was not decided by the council as requested by the railroads, hence the communication. In this letter the railafternoon and night performances, he said: road managers will serve notice on the city "Evidently Omaha people are desirous of that they will repair the east approach to high-class vaudeville. I did not anticipate the span and also a certain number of feet that the people would take so kindly to of the approach beginnig at the west end this form of entertainment as they do, at of the west span. Such action would leave first. It is a form of entertainment that 314 feet of the extreme western approach usually they have to be educated to. Omaha to be repaired by the city. This method can expect the very best vaudeville enter- has been approved by the city engineer and tainment it is possible to give. Yesterday's was recommended by the engineers of the show sets a standard that will never be Union Pacific and the stock yards comlowered, but in a great many cases will be panies. The western approach is low and short piling only is needed, while nearer the spans longer piles will have to be put in and the expense will thus be increased. In the joint letter the railroads agree to do the most expensive part of the work, leaving only 314 feet to be looked after by the city. It is estimated that the city can repair its part for about \$200, while the other work will cost \$1,100 or more. The

> and footpaths and renewing the piling. The date of commencing this work depends entirely upon what action the council will take upon receipt of the communication. If the decision reached by the railroads does not meet the approval of the city lawmakers, negotiations will be declared off and the whole deal will have to be gone over again. One railroad official said yesterday that the council had been making game of the railreads long enough and that if the communication was no received favorably another delay would be the result. This railroad man intimated why certain members of the council objected to the work as proposed and the course of these men will be watched with more than usual interest from this time on. The railroads have admitted their liability

is necessary to secure a thorough repairing of both bridges is the adoption of business like methods on the part of the city council At a little meeting of railroad officials and newspaper men the other day viaduct matters came up and officers of the Union Pacific and the Union Stock Yards company expressed a willingness to repair both the and Q street viaducts. There will, howunder the bridge assert that the Omaha Street Railway company should stand a proportion of the cost of repairs, for the reason that motor cars are run over the bridge. In reply to this the street car people claim exemption by reason of an ordidinance in question is No. 733 and was passed October 5, 1896. This is the ordinance requesting the street car company to extend its line from Twenty-fourth and Q streets to Thirty-third and Q streets The section which exempts the street car people from responsibility for repairs fol-

flanges, so as not to unnecessarily interfere with wagon travel. The tracks are to be kept on a level with the roadway as far as practicable and in good condition without expense to the city, but said company or its assigns shall not be required to make any repairs, except such as shall be neces sary to keep its track in good order."

Union Pacific and stock yards officers say in connection with this that the council had no right to enter into any such agreement, which thus gave away the rights of these two companies. In most cities the street car companies crossing bridges are held equally responsible with the railroads maintaining tracks underneath.

It was with the understanding mentioned above that the Q street car line was extended and it is understood that when i comes to a question of repairs the motor company will stand firmly on the terms of the ordinance. The railroads will take the view that the council cannot give their rights away, and so there you are. This question gives promise of another long wrangle and the bridge may rot and fall down before an amicable agreement is reached.

all other makes for the previous five years.

As to its efficacy, I have been informed by scores of persons of the good results they have received from it, and know its value from the use of it in my own household. It is so pleasant to take that we have to place the bottle beyond the reach of the children.

E. J. SCANTLEBURY.

LICT Which from so Twenty-seventh street, School district No. 3 owns the south half of lot 1, all of block 2 and the north half of lot 3 in block 76 and the south half of lot 12, the whole of lot 13 and the north half of lot 14 in block 76. This latter property from the order of the children.

E. J. SCANTLEBURY.

Tonight the city council will meet in reg-

ular monthly session. One of the most

railroads will not agree, however, to do any work on the iron portion of the structure this winter, the work contemplated being confined to replanking the roadway

in the matter of viaduct repairs and all tha ever, be a hitch on the Q street repairs when this matter comes up, for the reason that the railroads which maintain tracks nance passed by the city council. The or-

"The rails on said viaduct shall have wide

Board of Education. Tonight the Board of Education will meet, it being the date of the regular monthly meeting. A successor to Miss Elgin will be elected, as Miss Rooney, who was chosen for the place, has declined. One question of general interest will come up and that is the leasing of a portion of the school district which fronts on Twenty-seventh street, the land for which an application to lease has been received. The lots first mentioned

### property now stands the High school annex. The two lots fronting on Twenty-seventh street are vacant. An offer of \$10 a month for each lot has been received and the

canceling the lease at the expiration of each year. The talk of selling the school district's portion of the triangle which lies directly east of the present depot has been revived. The district owns a space in the triangle 123 feet long, out of a total length of 271 feet, while the width of the tract at the widest point is 143 feet. President Roberts has stated that for depot purposes this little piece of ground was worth \$5,000. The price is considered ridiculous, considering that only a few years ago the board tried to dispose of the prop-erty for \$1,500 and could not find a taker. Real estate men say that a high price would be \$1,800, with \$2,000 as an outside figure. Sent to the County Jail.

front on Twenty-sixth street and upon this

accepting the offer and entering into a lease

for a term of years with the privilege of

Al Grant was sent up to the county jail yesterday by Judge Babcock for safe keeping, he being under arrest on suspicion of having assisted in robbing B. Williams of \$14. Williams, according to the story told the police, came to South Omaha Saturday night to draw his son's pay who works at one of the packing houses. When on his way home Williams stopped into a saloon and there met some fellows who treated him. He flashed his money and when he left tho place he was held up and robbed. A couple of switchmen employed in the yards heard the racket and held Grant until an officer arrived. Grant's pal escaped. Williams was considered under the influence of liquor by the police and no great amount of credence is placed in his story.

# No Heat at City Building.

On account of alterations being made to the steam heating apparatus at the city building yesterday there was no heat and consequently Judge Babcock arrived at the court room early and turned loose a lot of drunks who had been run in Saturday night, The sale of the property by J. P. Finley was no surprise, as every one knew that Finley was erecting the block for speculative purposes. At the commencement of the work Finley took out a permit for a \$14,000 structure, but builders say that the block did not cost over \$10,000. Not a bit of stone or cement was used in constructing foundations, the walls resting on excavated

Entertains Male Friends. On Saturday evening A. J. Caughey, one of the editors of the Daily Stockman, entertained a party of male friends at his home, Twenty-third and H streets. High five was the order of the evening, the games being followed by a dinner. The invited guests were: J. G. Martin, H. E. Tagg, L. R. Pinnell, Howard Meyers, A. L. Lott, W. B. Cheek, C. M. Schindel, Bruce McCulloch, W. E. Hurlbut, Mate Record, A. T. Sidwell, W. 2. Witten and W. G. Sloane. Late in the evening the wives of the guests appeared, making the occasion doubly enjoyable.

Magie City Gossip. Cudahy's new barn is about ready for the

The Good Templars will meet on the 13th and 20th of this month. The hog butchers will give a dance on December 26, at the hall over the city offices. It is reported that a policy shop will be opened in the old police court room in the Redick block.

Work at the packing houses is a little slack just now on account of the light re-The men's meeting at the Young Men's Christian association yesterday afternoon was well attended.

South Omaha lodge, No. 148, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, will meet tonight for the purpose of initiating candidates. Nebraska lodge, No. 227, Ancient Order of United Workmen, will serve lunch and elect Signor Dado, while he had a tendency to

### Town Town Town Town Town Town MUSIC.

It is always pleasant to have a remidiscence of some agreeable event which has been impressed on one in days gone by, and the production of the "Stabat Mater" of Rossini at St. John's Collegiate church last night brought memories of a former production when Captain Kinzie was a welcome addition to concert programs and when Mrs. Lange's fine contralto voice was a strong factor in the building up of the music at the church. Mr. Taber was the organist on the the verdict is will not be known until court occasion alluded to, and the conductor was convenes this morning, as on Saturday, Mr. Thomas J. Kelly. The conductor last when the court adjourned, Judge Carland night was one of national reputation. Signight was one of national reputation, Signor Sapio, and the work he accomplished with the chorus in the short time at his lisposal was a tribute to his ability. The chorus was well balanced and worthy of comment in the manner in which the various choral portions of the work were sung. Mr. John Schenk presided at the organ with his usual scholarly style. Some little misunderstandings made the solo accompaniments inconsistent; but, generally speak ing, the work proclaimed the artist, Madame DeVere was at her best, and after having heard her in opera for a number of performances, it was a pleasure to note that she is equally at home in the work of the ecclesiastical music of the nature which marks the great masterpiece of Rossini. Miss Eleanore Broadfoot contributed in no small way to the success of the evening. formances, it was a pleasure to note that

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Her voice was telling. George Mitchell hardly fulfilled anticipation in the "Cujus Animam," which is a number of great moment in the opus and which is exacting in the extreme. His voice was not adequate in compass, but his style and general profficers tonight. All members are urged to save himself, was in good voice and proved chorus, which is usually referred to as the "Amen." was omitted. The church was well filled with a fashionable and cultured audi-

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# Agrees Upon a Verdict.

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